

#7/A  
GND  
4/17/02Express Mail No.: EL 452 482 057 US

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Thomas *et al.*Application No.: 09/492957

Group Art Unit: 1644

Filed: April 4, 1997

Examiner: M. Tung

For: HEREDITARY HEMOCHROMATOSIS  
GENE PRODUCTS

Attorney Docket No.: 8907-087-99

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants have considered the Office Action dated July 16, 2001, and request reconsideration of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith (1) an Exhibit A, presenting the claims as pending after entry of this Amendment; (2) an Exhibit B, presenting marked-up copies of the replacement paragraphs for the Specification; (3) a Fee Calculation Sheet; and (4) a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) extending the period for response by three months, up to and including January 16, 2002, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

AMENDMENTIN THE SPECIFICATION

*Changed  
in  
Palm*  
Please delete the title of the invention and replace it with the following:

--PLASMIDS COMPRISING NUCLEIC ACIDS FROM THE HEREDITARY  
HEMOCHROMATOSIS GENE--

04/17/2002 6DUCKETT 0000001-16130 Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 26, line 4 of the Specification and

02 FC:102      rep Mac 00:CH with the following paragraph:  
03 FC:103      720.00 CH

CA1-2 591.1